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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE: PATENT Application of)

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Serial No. 09/938,533)

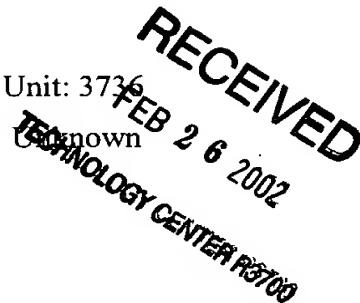
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Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.99, applicants respectfully submit the attached references and request that they be made of record in the above-identified application.

The references listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 are discussed in the specification of the above-mentioned application. Copies of each of the references is submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a).

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing, or entry into the national phase, of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380 (740105-78).

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